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CHARGED WITH ARSON.

Henry Fisher and Wife Under Arrest For This Morning's Fire.

At 1:05 o'clock this morning a fire alarm was sounded from box No. 22, located at the corner of Coal and Chestnut streets. The fire department responded promptly and a fierce fire was located in the rear part of No. 212 North Chestnut street. This part of the premises is occupied by Henry Fisher, his wife and their five weeks old child. The property is a double block, Nos. 210 and 212 North Chestnut street, owned by Joseph Knipple, of West Coal street. The houses facing on the street are occupied by two Polish families. The fire was found in a closet under the stairway in the kitchen of the part of the property occupied by Fisher. The Bessemer Company's chemical apparatus did excellent service and put out the fire before any part of the building was destroyed, although considerable damage was done.

After the fire only rumors got about regarding the origin of the fire and resulted in the arrest of Fisher. He was taken into custody by Constable Bolin and Police Officer Trotter and placed in the lockup, where he remained until eight o'clock this morning, when he was arraigned before Justice Shoemaker. Fisher was charged with conspiring to commit arson and intending to burn down the property. The prisoner's wife was charged with being an accessory to and after the fact. Joseph Knipple, the landlord, is the prosecutor, and the evidence against the prisoners appears to be strong. Both were committed in default of bail to await trial at court.

One of the most important witnesses in the case is John Bilakus, who occupies the house at No. 210 North Chestnut street, and his wife, Annie. They say they entertained friends until nearly midnight, when they retired. At about ten o'clock last night, Mrs. Bilakus says, Fisher was seen acting suspiciously about the premises. He was caught peeping in the window of the Bilakus home. Mrs. Bilakus was awakened by a smothering sensation caused by the smoke from the fire. She aroused her husband, who hastily dressed himself and went downstairs. He met Fisher in the alley at the side of the house. Fisher said he did not know where the fire was, but that there was noise in his house. While awaiting a hearing Fisher told a Herald reporter that when the fire started he was in bed. He was awakened by his wife and both, with their child, hurried down the stairway which passes over the closet in which the fire was found. He declared that he had no knowledge whatever of the fire's origin.

It is claimed that Fisher set fire to the place to recover insurance. He has his household effects insured for \$200, and claims the full value is \$400. Fisher moved to town from Irish Valley about a year ago. He has resided in the Knipple home since last Wednesday. He is out of work and his child is sick.

Fire in a Stable. At 10:45 last night fire started in a stable on West Strawberry alley owned by Felix Rutecki. The fire originated in the hay in the loft. When the chemical engine arrived the flames were shooting high in the air, throwing a bright reflection that caused many people to believe a conflagration was under way. The chemical engine was on the scene promptly and gave an excellent illustration of its value. The flames were checked immediately upon the play of the chemical charge and a few moments later the fire was out. The damage was slight.

Reunion of Veterans. One of the pleasing features incidental to the Grand Army Encampment to be held at Shenandoah this week will be a reunion of Company E, 4th Pennsylvania Volunteers, which gained distinction by being part of the corps that constructed the Petersburg mine. Among the townsmen who were members of the company and who will attend the reunion are Messrs. David Morgan, John Watson, Benjamin Womer, Cornelius Dross and John Brennan. John Starr and Hiram Spears were members of Co. K, of the same regiment, and will attend the reunion.

Struck by Lightning. During the storm of Saturday evening the residence of David Ryan, at Wm. Penn, was struck by lightning and one end of it was badly shattered. Two boards were ripped off the kitchen floor. Pieces of weather boards were thrown fifty yards from the house. Although the house was occupied by Mr. Ryan and his family at the time, none suffered injury.

Fresh Cape May Clams. Received daily at COLLITT'S, 36 South Main street. 8-30-9f

Rev. Phillips Resigns. Rev. David Phillips has resigned his pastorate of the English Baptist church, at Minersville. The resignation was accepted at a meeting of the English Baptist church of that place.

Recruiting Station at Pottsville. The U. S. regular army will again be opened in Pottsville. The station will be in charge of Sergeant Nagesser, who has been in Hazleton for some months. The recruits will be drilled to take places in Philippine regiments.

Attention, Camp 1121. All members of Washington Camp No. 112, P. O. S. of A., are requested to attend its next regular meeting, to be held on Tuesday evening, Sept. 5th, in Egau's hall. Business of importance will be transacted. By order of FRANK SHIRLEY, Pres.

Post Office Notice. To-day being Labor Day the post office will close at 11 o'clock a. m. No money orders will be issued. The following places were served on first delivery: Brownsville, Turkey Run, Yatesville, Elkhartown and Maple Hill.

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Partnership Dissolved. The bottling partnership of Thomas Aulick and Joseph Baykewicz has been dissolved, the latter withdrawing from the firm. Mr. Baykewicz will leave for Nauyasack, Conn., about September 10th, where he will embark in the same business. He will be accompanied by his wife and her two sisters, Misses Ella and Sarah Casper.

Band Picnic. The picnic at Washington park, Ashland, by the Mahanoy Band on Saturday, was largely attended, notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather. The trolley cars from Mahanoy Place and Gilberton were crowded all evening.

Kindergarten Re-opening. The kindergarten will re-open on Tuesday, September 5th, in the basement of the German Lutheran church. Sessions from 10 a. m. to 12 m., and from 2 to 4 p. m. Terms \$1.00 per month. PAULINE BERMAN, Instructor.

G. A. R.

VETERANS ASSEMBLE

For the Thirty-third Encampment of the Grand Army.

CANDIDATES FOR COMMANDER.

Colonel Shaw and Judge Rastetter Seen to Be in the Lead, But "Private" Daltzell, Colonel Johnson and General Miller Are Also in the Race.

Philadelphia, Sept. 4.—The thirty-third encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic began here today. The vanguard of the veterans reached the city yesterday and found the people with outstretched arms of welcome. Never again, perhaps, will Philadelphia be the scene of a national encampment of the G. A. R. Of the valiant men who defended the cause of the Union there remains but a remnant, and with the depletion of the ranks the welcome is the more heartfelt and enthusiastic.

Admiral Sampson, with his fleet of fighting ships, arrived here yesterday, and this event marked the beginning of the week's celebration. The city is crowded with strangers, while the incoming trains from all sections are bringing thousands upon thousands to help swell the throng.

The city has borne its share of the work of decoration, and the citizens of Philadelphia, by contributions of cash and in welcoming banners, have shown their interest in what will be the greatest reunion ever held. The route of the veterans' parade, which takes place tomorrow, is one solid blaze of color and light. Not a building but has its front incased in red, white and blue. The Avenue of Fame, which extends from Walnut to Cherry streets on Broad, a distance of five blocks, with the city hall as the center, is the most magnificent piece of decoration ever attempted in this city. There are two classes of columns. The larger and more ornate are about 50 feet in height, and are placed at the street corners. The smaller columns, about 25 feet high, stand on each side of Broad street between the larger columns.

The corner pillars are massive, but graceful, and at the base of each are alternately, in heroic size, two soldiers and two sailors. Numerous circles of electric lights decorate the poles from the base to the gilded eagles at the top. The columns are connected by festoons of bunting and laurel, and strings of incandescent lamps give a brilliant effect at night.

The north and south fronts of the city hall will be illuminated with massive electric light pieces, 30 feet in length, representing the G. A. R. badge. Rows of incandescent lights extend from the top of Penn's statue, 350 feet above the street level, to the roof, and around the structure, giving the effect of an immense column of brilliant light.

Camp Sexton, near Belmont, in Fairmount park, contains 1,600 tents. It is intended to accommodate those posts of the Grand Army which prefer to camp rather than be quartered in hotels, armories or private houses. The tents will shelter 10,000 veterans.

The big parade tomorrow will be in 12 divisions. Post No. 1, from Rockford, Ill., the oldest post in the Grand Army, will head the line. As the veterans march around the city hall they will be reviewed by President McKinley, who is expected to arrive here tonight, accompanied by Secretaries Root and Gage and Postmaster General Smith. There will be over 42,000 men in line.

A feature of tomorrow's events will be the chorus of 3,000 school children who will occupy a portion of the grand stand on the north side of the city hall. As the parade passes this point the children will sing patriotic airs.

All the military organizations to attend the encampment probably none will attract more attention than Boy's Girl Cadets, of Topeka, Kan. These young women are the daughters of veterans, and are commanded by H. N. Boyd, who was sergeant of Company L, Seventh Illinois cavalry, during the civil war. They will grace the line of parade tomorrow.

A question of absorbing interest to G. A. R. veterans which will be decided during the encampment is the election of a commander-in-chief and other officers. The candidates most prominently in the field are Colonel Albert D. Shaw, of Watertown, N. Y., and Judge Leo Rastetter, of St. Louis. "Private" James M. Daltzell, of Company H, One Hundred and Sixteenth Ohio, is also a candidate. Others urged by their friends are Colonel W. C. Johnson, of Cincinnati; Acting Commander-in-Chief and Brigadier General Charles Miller, of Venango, Pa.

The Naval Veterans will enjoy the distinction of giving the first street parade during the encampment. They will take place this afternoon, and will be a unique feature of the demonstration. The old salts who fought under Farragut will tramp shoulder to shoulder with the younger veterans of the Spanish-American war.

Next Friday the naval parade will take place. Admiral Sampson's fleet will be anchored in the Delaware river opposite the city, and a long line of vessels will pass around the fighting ships. President McKinley and cabinet officers will review the warships from the revenue cutter Greenham. Members of the commission of the Imperial Russian navy, stationed here superintending the building of a bat-

ment and a cruiser, will participate in the naval pageant. Elaborate preparations have been made for the entertainment of President and Mrs. McKinley. The front rooms of an entire floor have been set apart for their accommodation at the Hotel Walton, and nothing has been left undone that will add to their comfort.

CEMETERY CONSECRATION.

Impressive Services of the St. Stanislaus Polish Congregation.

To-day was one of special devout service by the St. Stanislaus Polish Catholic congregation of town, the occasion being the consecration of its cemetery. Services were held in the church, corner of Cherry and West streets at 10 a. m., solemn mass being conducted by Rev. Kasparek, rector of the Slavish church, of Mahanoy City.

This service was followed by a parade, at 11 o'clock. The music was furnished by the Lithuanian band of town and the St. Nicholas band and drum corps. The societies in line were St. Casimir, St. Nicholas, St. John's, Kosciuszko Guards, Pulaski Citizens, St. Stanislaus, St. Stanislaus Cadets, and the Polish societies of town, St. George's and St. Anthony Lithuanian societies, St. Nicholas and two other Greek societies of town, the whole making quite an imposing display. The consecration services at the cemetery were conducted by Rev. Peter Abramowitz, of St. George's Lithuanian Roman Catholic church, who was appointed for the purpose by Archbishop Ryan, of Philadelphia. Rev. Richard Aust, rector of St. Stanislaus Polish church, and St. Casimir, St. Nicholas, St. John's, Matulatis and Kaminski, of local congregations, offered prayers and otherwise assisted in the service.

The new cemetery comprises four acres and forty perches. It is situated opposite the St. Casimir Polish cemetery, on Locust mountain.

ENJOYABLE PERFORMANCE.

Welsh Brothers Shows Appear Here This Afternoon and Evening.

Packed houses at both the afternoon and evening performances greeted Welsh Bros. circus yesterday at Locust Park. The performances more than met expectations. A noticeable air of refinement and cleanliness pervades the entire show and makes it doubly attractive. The marvelous acts by the "Japs" are one of the leading features. These dexterous fellows give a complete performance by themselves, and can never tire of them, their work is so refreshingly original and startling. A man and woman billed as West and Zanta, the "Australian meteors," appear in a very sensational double trapeze act. The clowns, four in number, are all first class and up-to-date. The entire entertainment is "all right," and no mistake will be made in paying it a visit to-night at the concluding performance here.—Evening Journal, Corning, N. Y.

This famous one-ring show will pitch tents here this morning and will give performances this afternoon and evening, and to-morrow.

Sampson to Remain in Command. Philadelphia, Sept. 4.—Lieutenant Commander Winslow, of Rear Admiral Sampson's staff, in speaking for the admiral today absolutely denied the report that the admiral is to be relieved of the command of the North Atlantic squadron at his own request. The commander said that Admiral Sampson is enjoying good health, and that he wants to stay with the squadron.

The Middle States Regatta. Philadelphia, Sept. 4.—The Middle States regatta, which has heretofore been held on the Harlem river, New York, takes place here today over the national course on the Schuylkill river. An exceptionally large number of oarsmen have entered for the different events, and it is expected to be the greatest regatta the Middle States association has ever held.

The Kindergarten. The kindergarten which is to be conducted by Miss Agnes D. Dodson and Miss Tillie A. Hoover, in the lecture room of the Presbyterian church, on South White street, will open September 11th. Hours 9 a. m. to 11 a. m., and 2 p. m. to 4 p. m. Terms \$1.00 per month. 9-1-9f

The H. A. Weldy Powder Co. The H. A. Weldy & Co. powder firm has been merged into The H. A. Weldy Powder Co., incorporated under the laws of Delaware. The officers of the new corporation will be elected the forepart of this week.

Marriage Licenses. Edward J. Binker and Anna C. Gearing, both of Tamaqua. Frank J. Foeller and Sarah Jane Zimmerman, both of Lavelle. George M. Dill, of Prescott, Wisconsin, and Sarah K. Stein, of Shenandoah.

Deaths Recorded. From M. A. Crawshaw to Harriet E. Bedou, premises in Shenandoah. From John A. Titman and wife to Charles E. Titman, premises in North Union township.

From Charles A. Goynne to A. H. Goynne, premises in Ashland.

A Gold Medal Artist. Sam Shickler, the all around manipulator of musical instruments, and who holds the championship and gold medal of the world for guitar and harmonica duets, will delight you nightly at Weeks' cafe. 8-25-9f

Eighth Regiment's Officers. The following officers for the new Eighth Regiment, National Guard, were elected on Saturday: Colonel, Theodore Hoffman, Shamokin; lieutenant colonel, Joseph B. Hutcheson, Harrisburg; majors, W. H. Holmes, St. Clair, Camb; Captain Speck, Carlisle.

The New Money Order. The Post Office Department has adopted a new form of money order which will be introduced gradually after September 4th. It is the size of a bank draft and has two new features, the use of carbon manifold for reproducing the order instead of writing it twice, as at present, and also a receipt. It is expected that the charge for orders will be materially reduced January 1st.

Ministerial Association. The first meeting of the Schuylkill County Ministerial Association, after the summer vacation, was held to-day in the parlor of the Second Presbyterian church at Pottsville. "Vacation Reminiscences" took the place of a regular program at this opening meeting.

Priest Obtains Naturalization Papers. Rev. Father Simon Pastusienus, of the St. Joseph's Lithuanian church, Mahanoy City, secured his second naturalization papers on Saturday. Rev. Pastusienus has been in this country eight years, and for six years has had charge of the church at Mahanoy City.

LETTER FROM EDITOR JOYCE

He Will Once Again be a Free Man This Month.

SAYS LIFE IS AS WE MAKE IT!

The Former Mahanoy City Editor Still Shows an Independent Spirit and Will Again Enter the Journalistic Field.

We republish extracts from a letter written by Thomas J. Joyce, founder of the Black Diamond, published at Mahanoy City, who is now an inmate of the Eastern penitentiary. Mr. Joyce was sentenced on June 16, 1898, charged with perjury. The prosecutor in that case was ex-Senator John J. Coyle, and it is a coincidence that the latter will be called to trial charged with attempting to bribe a member of the Legislature to vote for the McGarrett bill, about the same time that Joyce is released. The latter's term expires about September 16th, while the case against Coyle will be called in Dauphin county September 28th.

After reviewing the past, in which he pays high tribute to sincere friends and in no unimpeachable language expresses contempt for the cowardly and deceitful of those who endeavor to give an idea of life in solitary confinement. He says:

"The rules of this place are in no way galling or severe. If a man behaves himself he need have no fear of any kind of punishment. The outside world is not so much a boarder at a \$3-a-day house would put up with without a kick, but if it was improved much, there are hundreds of seafarers here whom the state militia would be unable to drive out when their sentences had expired. "Taking everything into consideration, I can say truthfully that as a penal institution, what it claims to be—the Eastern is run on business and humane principles, in a manner which I do not believe could be very well improved upon. The only drawback I find here is no provision having been made to keep the prisoners in employment.

"This grave error is not attributable to the Eastern's management; it is the fault of wooden-headed and fainthearted legislators who cause at Harrisburg every two years. These equine rogues say that 'prison labor injures the leg.' Don't believe it! All my care for the last five years has been to get about election day, the 364 other days of the year the 'legitimate' may eat straw if it can't stand hay. "I see the question 'How in the world have you managed to pull through, anyway?' starting from your lips. Everything is possible to the man who grits his teeth, calls a smattering of philosophy to his aid and determined not to let his head be hard against the tough wall they call 'The Inevitable.' I accepted the t. l. as gracefully as a burton is run. I fill an elastic shirt waist, and have had very little trouble with myself, outside the awfulness of the solitude and silence that surround me.

"To an active mind and body, solitude and silence are fearful punishment. But early in the game I concluded that if I hoped to keep my mind clear of the approaches of paresis, I must employ my mind and hands in some profitable way; and I did. I took the vital questions of the day under the dissecting point of my pencil and proceeded to decorate the walls and ceiling of my 'boudoir' with leaders."

He then proceeds to show how he solved the Cuban and Filipino question, and takes a rap at the diplomats who met in conference at Hague. He also at some length shows that he has taken advantage of the excellent library there, read and retained everything from Gibbons' "Rise and Fall of the Roman Empire" to the life of Signor Blitz. The writer then proceeds to comment upon his future as follows:

"If I had time why I should not resurrect the sprightly journalistic high kicker that ever trot the path of independence. There is positively nothing in the county which it needs. Whether it be arguable, wit, humor, pathos, satire or vituperation the public is in need of the youngster can give it to them to a life's end.

"I had given 'Black Diamond' only lukewarm attention in its business department. I could have made a good deal of money. I have learned a thing or two those 15 months, which should not be wasted on rhinestones in future.

"I return to Mahanoy City prepared to look any and every man square in the face. I have committed no crime, and I have driven the worst scoundrel of time into the pale of political and social ostracism. There are many other good things which Tom Joyce has done which need have no mention in this. Never having cared for the good or bad opinions of the fellows with Sunday school reputations, but whose real characters favored of Cain and Abel, I have no occasion to change my opinion. I still have hosts of warm, personal friends whose good opinions I do respect. Never having acted the hypocrite and snail in claiming to be better than I am, and never attempting to hide my skeletons in closets, I can with the greatest propriety and consistency spike the small horns of the evil and malicious minded with the hottest of red-hot shot.

"Those endeavoring to be decent, I shall treat decently; but nothing shall give more delight than to make the skeletons of the 'holier than thou' fellows do the couching on the house tops of our city.

"So you see, Brother, that I have not reduced my stock of old time independence and nerve to any appreciable extent. However, I shall be guided much by Mrs. J's advice and counsel—as it is about time I bowed to her better sense and judgment.

Society here has its straits and barriers as well as the outside-the-wall article. Every citizen has his own shins on a representative here. The population hovers round the 1500 mark, but like the tent-folding Arabs, it changes in a night, transgressors being discharged and reaped in continually. There are no lines more severe and impracticable than the chalk lines between the fellows who are here because of their fondness for other people's door mate and the rouster who sent smutty into the contents of a bank. I would like to poll about a gross more sheets, but I am afraid the censor would light his pipe in disgust with the whole.

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